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AMENDMENT "B"

APPLICANT: Hetzer et al. GROUP ART UNIT: 3624  
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FILED: November 27, 2000 CONFIRMATION NO.: 4251  
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AND ARRANGEMENT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE  
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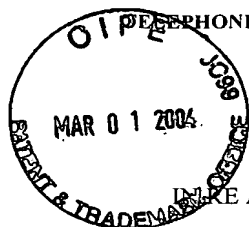
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In response to the Office Action dated December 16, 2003 Applicants  
herewith amend the application as follows.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	31*	MINUS	**37	X 6	( ) X 9.00 (X) X 18.00	108
INDEP. CLAIMS	*2	MINUS	5	X 2	( ) X 43.00 (X) X 86.00	172
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				( ) YES ( ) NO	( ) \$145.00 ( ) \$290.00 ONE TIME	
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT		\$280.00

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☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 501519. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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